

CULTURAL RESOURCES

Scope of Work

Qualifications

Carrie Wills is a qualified archeologist who will conduct the cultural resources review for the Project application. She has a B.A. and M.A. in anthropology, both from California State University in Hayward, and has conducted cultural resource evaluations for numerous Environmental Impact Studies and related projects. She recently conducted the review for the Reliant Etiwanda Application for Certification for submittal to the CEC. Her resume is attached.

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Ms. Wills will request that a records review be conducted through the South Central Coastal Information Center located at California State University, Fullerton. Her notification of the records review was submitted with a request for rush service on May 21, 2000. This will guarantee a response within a maximum of 2-3 weeks. The records review will reveal whether the Project will be located at any known historic or prehistoric sites. If the results of the records review indicate significant number of historic/prehistoric sites, an archaeological field reconnaissance survey will also be conducted. The site survey will consist of visual observations of soil disturbances, roads, buildings, tanks or other fixtures, and ornamental landscape elements.

Ms. Wills will also review the response from Native American Heritage Commission, who were contacted about the Project on May 10, 2001, to determine if there will be any impacts to Native American cultural resources with ¼ mile radius of the Project site.

If the records review or response from the Native American Heritage Commission reveal cultural resources that will be impacted by the Project, Ms. Wills will proper mitigation to bring the Project impacts to a level of "less than significant".

If cultural resources are encountered during Project construction, construction shall be halted to allow Ms. Wills the opportunity to assess the resource and make recommendations.

If previously undiscovered cultural resources are discovered during construction activities, Ms. Wills will consult with the CEC about the significance of the resource. If the resource is determined significant, mitigation measures will be devised in consultation with CEC and possibly the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and will be implemented under Ms. Wills' supervision. Mitigation measures may include: 1) preservation in place by means of incorporation within an open space;

2) covering with a layer of stable soil before construction; or 3) deeming the site a permanent conservation easement. Mitigation measures may also include archaeological monitoring during construction grading or excavation or data recovery through excavation.

Project Timeline

The rush request for records search should be received by about June 4 and will require several hours of review time. A report on the results is anticipated by the week ending June 8, 2001.